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MEMORANDUM TO: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Intelligence on World Communism

REFERENCES:

- a. Memorandum to the Director from the Assistant Director, Office of Special Operations, dated 27 May 1947, Subject: Procurement and Analysis of Intelligence on World Communism.
- b. Remarks of the Deputy Director on Inter-Office Routing Slip, forwarding above reference to ORE on 14 October 1947.

1. The above references have been studied with a great deal of interest. While the subject matter contained in reference a is not concurred in, in entirety, the central theme, that Communism should be covered from a world-wide basis and in a coordinated effort, is agreed with. Any such project should take into account the policies and plans of the USSR as an aggressive government as suggested in reference b above.

2. In accomplishing this task, it is believed that existing procedures, organizations and functions should be followed to the maximum extent possible. It should be realized that a great part of the work envisaged in reference a above is now being done. It is coordination of all this effort from the world-wide viewpoint that can be improved.

3. It is therefore recommended that:

a. A group of specialists (initially, two P's and one CAP) be added to the Consultants Panel in ORE to handle this problem.

b. The initial task of this group be a coordinated study of the problem with first, the other CIA Offices, and secondly, the IAC agencies.

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